

The Investigative Committee of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, July 27, 2017 via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kelli Lockwood, RN, MSN, Immediate Past Vice President
Amy Hooper, LPN, Vice President
Merry Fort, RN
Linda Floyd, RN

STAFF PRESENT

Jim Cleghorn, Executive Director
Edye Tillman-Johnson, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Tara Miller, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Kirsten Daughdril, Assistant Attorney General

Lockwood called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 27, 2017.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Fort moved, Hooper seconded and the Committee voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2(k); 43-1-19(h), 43-26-5(c) and 43-26-11, to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative reports and pending cases. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Thursday, July 27, 2017, Lockwood declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during executive session.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE CASES

(**LPNI** = Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number) (**RNI**=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Hooper moved to present the following recommendations to the Board.

LPNI170461 – Close the case.

RNI170937 – Close the case.

LPNI170242 – Refer to Investigations.

RNI171001 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Unprofessional Conduct).

RNI161127 – Close the case.

LPNI170479 – Send the applicant a letter requesting an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

LPNI160354 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If the mental physical examination is not completed, proceed with a voluntary surrender or indefinite suspension and deny the renewal.

LPNI170480 – Table and obtain a letter of explanation.

LPNI170468 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Medication Administration/Resident Rights).

LPNI170091 – Table and check for new information prior to the September 2017 meeting.

LPNI150466 – Table and obtain a witness statement and a Letter of Explanation.

LPNI170177– Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Unprofessional Conduct).

LPNI170365 – Send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses, Advance Directives and DNR Orders; Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills.

LPNI170370 – Close the case.

RNI170712 – Refer to the OIG to obtain medical records for the patient between January 13, 2016-January 17, 2016 and send for peer review.

RNI170862 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Sterile Procedure).

RNI170894 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Standards of Care).

RNI170945 – Close the case.

LPNI170385 – Close the case.

RNI140669 – Send a letter of modification with a new sobriety date of May 19, 2017. The Board will review mental physical examination after receipt.

RNI170005 – Close the complaint case. Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a private consent order to include a fine of \$500 for continuing education violation.

RNI170699 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a private consent agreement to include five (5) years monitoring, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare), Substance Abuse Stipulations, work restrictions and a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing.

RNI151068 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a voluntary surrender or indefinite suspension. May petition to lift with an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator to be completed within 30 days of the petition. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

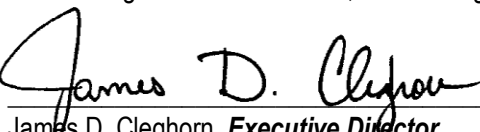
RNI151113 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a psychosexual outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

RNI161022 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a private consent order to include five (5) years monitoring, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy), Substance Abuse Stipulations and a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing.

RNI170918 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy), Substance Abuse Stipulations, a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing and \$500 unpaid fine from a previous order and \$50 for Unlicensed Practice.

Fort seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, July 27, 2017 at 4:48 p.m.


James D. Cleghorn, **Executive Director**